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OFFICE OF PESTICIDES AND TOXIC SUBSTANCES

MEMORANDUM

EPA Reg.#524-308; Glyphosate; Monsanto response to questions regarding SUBJECT:

rat and rabbit teratology studies. (CASWELL#661A; Accession#244001 WHO-1/16/81 : 105 151

William Dykstra, Toxicologist FROM:

Toxicology Branch, HED (TS-769)

Robert Taylor (25) TO:

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Recommendations:

1) The Monsanto letter of December 18, 1980 together with the IRDC historical control data on rat and rabbit teratology studies adequately addresses the questions raised in the memo of June 17, 1980 from W. Dykstra to R. Taylor. Based on the new submitted information on these studies, the following conclusions are made:

> Severe maternal toxicity at Rat teratology:

3500 mg/kg/day; negative for terata

at 3500 mg/kg

NOEL for fetotoxicity at 1000 mg/kg/day

Negative for teratogenicity Rabbit teratology:

at 350 mg/kg/day

Fetotoxic NOEL = 175 mg/kg/day

Mouse dominant lethal: negative at 2000 mg/kg

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